

Mayor's corner

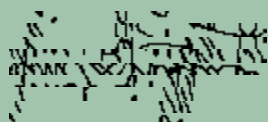
Nearly a year ago, Tigard voters said "yes" to a new library. Since then, we've been busy laying the groundwork for construction. The design of the new library is completed. Several public meetings have engaged residents in the design of the structure as well as the park that will be created north of the new building.

Site preparation has begun. The construction plans are well underway. The permit process is on track. A public hearing for the conditional land use permit was held in early April; a ruling is expected later in the month. The project remains within budget and on schedule.

With the groundwork nearing completion, we're ready for the groundbreaking! Join me on **Saturday, May 17 at 10 a.m.** at the new library site on Hall Boulevard across from O'Mara Street. Everyone will be a VIP, which means everyone gets to dig!

To give your new library an added boost, I encourage you to consider "Buying a Brick" for the new courtyard or entry plaza. See the Hard Hat report on page 5 for more details.

Help start it off right!



Jim Griffith, Mayor

Help needed in Tigard parks this summer

Community volunteers are needed to take on park maintenance tasks this summer. Due to budget constraints, the city's public works department will not be hiring temporary workers to help in the parks this summer.

Volunteers are needed to help city parks employees by picking up litter, weeding, pruning shrubs, deadheading flowers and all those tasks required to keep the parks usable and attractive. There are jobs for individuals, families, youth groups, employee groups – anyone who would like to pitch in. Your help is welcome weekdays, evenings and weekends. Parks employees will provide tools and directions.

Tigard's parks provide open space for picnics, sports, play and relaxation for many residents and visitors, and a lot of work is required to keep them in shape for everyone to enjoy. Here's your chance to contribute to one of Tigard's major assets.

To find out how and where you can help, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Susan Koepping at susank@ci.tigard.or.us or 503-639-4171 ext. 2402.



12th Annual Big & Bulky Waste Day

On Saturday, May 3, city residents may dispose of old, unwanted couches, refrigerators, stoves, mattresses and other **over-sized items** at the 12th Annual Big & Bulky Waste Day. The event will be held at Pride Disposal, 13980 Tualatin-Sherwood Road, Sherwood. The fee is only \$5 per trailer or pickup load. There will be an additional charge of \$5 for each refrigerator, freezer or air conditioning unit. The gates are open from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Big & Bulky Waste Day is for residential over-sized materials that do not fit in a garbage can. Hazardous waste, propane bottles, food waste, yard debris and commercial debris will not be accepted. For further information, please call 503-846-8609. If you are unable to come to the event, the Hillsboro Landfill is open year-round. Please call ahead for hours of operation and charges. Also, your franchised hauler provides pick-up of bulky items for an additional fee. Contact your local hauler for current rates and service.



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CITY MEETING SCHEDULE:**City Council**

2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
Town Hall

Library Board

2nd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Library Puett Room

Planning Commission

1st & 3rd Mondays, 7 p.m.
Town Hall

Intergovernmental Water Board

2nd Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.
Tigard Water Building



May's "Focus on Tigard" airs Thursday, May 1, at 7 p.m. on TVTV Cable Channel 28. The program will replay throughout the month. For a complete schedule of broadcast times, visit the city's web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us and click on the link under Focus on Tigard. The program is designed to educate, inform and involve viewers in issues and programs that impact our community. Announcements on current and upcoming activities and events will also be included.

May - Tigard Honors Volunteers

Everyone who lives, works, shops or just drives through Tigard benefits from the contributions made by volunteers.

- Who volunteers? • What do they do? • How can you get involved?

The Focus for Upcoming Months:

June: Parks

July: Land Use 101

**Tune In! If you have Focus ideas, contact Liz Newton at
liz@ci.tigard.or.us or 503-639-4171, ext. 2412.**

TVTV Cablecast

Council business meetings are cablecast on Tualatin Valley Television channels as follows: **Live Coverage** - (Comcast) Channel 28: 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month at 7:30 p.m.; **Replays** of the most recent meeting air on Channel 21: Thursdays* 9 a.m. & 11 p.m.; Fridays* 7 p.m.; Saturdays* 12 p.m.; Sundays* 4 a.m. (*Following 2nd and 4th Tuesdays)

Employee of the Month for March

Brenda Abbott started working for the city as a Micro Computer Support Technician in February of 2000. She is currently our Police Systems Specialist with the network services division. Brenda recently designed and created the TrackMan application. This application is used daily by network services personnel to track city computer problems. Previously, network services used a costly third party application to perform similar functions. Brenda's TrackMan application is tailor-made to meet the city's needs and has streamlined the process of handling computer problems. Her efforts have saved money for the City and have made the tracking process more responsive and efficient.



We congratulate her on this creative effort, and thank her for a job well done!



Noxious vegetation? What's that?

Grass and weeds that are going to seed or are over 10" in height are considered "noxious vegetation," according to the Tigard Municipal Code. Overgrown grass and weeds are the most common types of noxious vegetation problems the city deals with.

Residents not only need to maintain their yard, but also need to look past their property "boundary" to see if there are adjoining right-of-way areas that also need attention. The city will no longer maintain some right-of-way areas that have been



maintained in the past. City code stipulates that right-of-way maintenance is the responsibility of the property owner. This responsibility includes right-of-way areas adjoining property such as planter strips and hillsides outside the "yard" area or behind fenced areas.

Noxious vegetation is a Class 1 civil violation, with potential fines of \$250 per day. Please remember, aesthetic issues like scruffy shrubs and failure to water the lawn are not code violations. To report a potential violation, the address of the property in question is required. All complaints are public record. Anonymous complaints will not be investigated. To obtain more information on this topic, visit the code enforcement web page on the city's web site, www.ci.tigard.or.us. The Code Enforcement Officer can be reached at 503-639-4171.

Stop unwanted telemarketing calls

In 1999, Oregon Legislature passed the Oregon No Call Law. Telemarketers who call any of the 125,000 residential customers registered on the list are subject to fines of up to \$25,000 per violation. This is a law with teeth – more than 120 companies have been fined over \$500,000 for violations.

To sign up for the Oregon No Call List simply call toll-free 1-877-700-6622 or check the website at www.ornocall.com. Subscriber fees of \$6.50 per phone number for the first year and \$3 for each additional year pays for administration and education.

Community outreach meetings continue...

Check your calendar! Please plan to attend a meeting to give input on how your city can provide you with better service. These meetings will give Tigard Police Chief Bill Dickinson an opportunity to meet members of the community.

Meeting information is listed below. City representatives will be available beginning at **6:30**. Take advantage of this opportunity to have your questions answered. Meetings will begin promptly at **7 p.m.** and conclude at **8 p.m.** The dates and locations are on the following **Thursdays**:

May 1	C. F. Tigard School	12985 SW Grant Ave.
May 8	Mary Woodward School	12325 SW Katherine St.
May 15	Metzger School	10255 SW 90 th Ave.

For more information, please contact Tigard Police Public Information Officer Jim Wolf at 503-718-2561.

Down-by-the-Riverside

Saturday, May 17, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., City of Tigard, SOLV, PGE and a variety of community sponsors invite community members to volunteer for the annual Down-by-the-Riverside event. In Tigard, sites and activities are as follows:

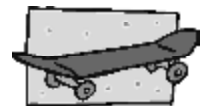


Cook Park: plant native trees and shrubs in the wetland, paint ballard posts, weed planter strips, mulch soft trails. Meet at the covered picnic area to sign in. Wear gloves and bring a shovel, if you have one.

Derry Dell Creek: at 115th Street near Genesis Loop. The stretch of Derry Dell northeast of 115th looks great because of neighbors, volunteers and city employees working together on this Adopt-A-Stream project. Help keep the momentum going as we start removing blackberries trash and weeds from the next stretch of this creek. Wear thick gloves and clothing and bring clippers if you have them. Volunteers can sign in at 115th by the Terrace Trails Path.

Skate park rolls forward

The City Council authorized the Skate Park Task Force, led by Rich Carlson, to initiate fundraising activity for a 15,000 square foot skate park on city property. The city property is a portion of the parking lot of the civic center complex at the corner of Hall Boulevard and Burnham Street, which will be available after the library is relocated to the new library facility on Hall Boulevard in 2004.





Shelf



Life

News from the Tigard Library

Library Events Calendar

May 1, 8	10-10:30 a.m.	Little People Story Time with Louise (Ages 3 and under)-Puett Rm
May 2	9 a.m.-5 p.m.	Friends of the Library Book Sale-Town Hall
May 3	9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Friends of the Library Book Sale-Town Hall
May 2, 9	10-10:30 a.m.	Little People Story Time with Terri (Ages 3 and under)-Puett Rm
May 5	2-4 p.m.	Job Search Skills-Resumes (Reg. req'd)-Puett Rm
May 6	10-10:30 a.m.	Preschool Stories & Crafts-Puett Rm
May 6	10-11:30 a.m.	New Parent Network Playgroup (Reg. req'd)-Town Hall
May 7	6:30-8:30 p.m.	Story Time Basics class (Reg.req'd)-Puett Rm
May 9	6-8 p.m.	Friday Night Music w/ <i>Bus Stop in Paradise</i> -Puett Rm
May 10	10 a.m.-noon	Celebrate Mexico-Town Hall
May 12	2-4 p.m.	Job Search Skills-Interview Workshop (Reg. req'd)-Puett Rm
May 14	1:30-3:30 p.m.	New Parent Network Nutrition Basics (Reg. req'd)-Puett Rm
May 19	2-4 p.m.	Job Search Skills-Tips & Sources (Reg. req'd)-Puett Rm
May 24	10 a.m.-noon	Story Time Basics class in Spanish (Reg. req'd)-Puett Rm
May 26		Library Closed-Memorial Day
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	4-6 p.m.	Homework Center (Grades 5-12) -Young Adult Area

For more information on library programs, visit our web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us

Library programs are free unless noted otherwise. Some library programs require registration. To sign up, call 503-684-6537.

Changes in the DVD and video collection

Due to popular demand, the library recently changed the checkout period for DVDs and videos to seven days. This change has proved to be very popular, but now there are fewer videos on the shelves! Two new changes for this very popular collection may help. We have added a selection of DVDs that can only be checked out by patrons who come to Tigard Public Library. These DVDs cannot be placed on hold or renewed. Also, the number of all DVDs and/or videos per checkout is now limited to five. We hope these changes will provide a greater selection for patrons to choose from when they come to the library.

Job search resources

Session I: Resume & Cover Letter Workshop. May 5

Resume writing is an essential skill for today's job seeker. Learn how to show your skills in a way that makes your resume stand out. This class will also look at the cover letter, and how to use it to relate your resume to the requirements of the position you are applying for.

Session II: Interviewing Workshop. May 12

Learn how to manage your interview with tips on self-preparation, typical interview phases, how to handle tough questions, and different interviewing styles. This workshop will cover phone, panel and behavior-based interviews, as well as salary negotiation.

Session III: General Job Searching Tactics Workshop. May 19

Discover job search tips on how to stay organized, energetic and efficient. This class will also cover how to use job fairs, temporary agencies, executive search firms and the internet to seek employment opportunities.

All sessions are held in the Puett Room from 2 to 4 p.m. and registration is required.

Celebrate Mexico!

Saturday, May 10, 10 a.m. to Noon

Town Hall, all ages welcome.



Join us for a morning of mariachi music, traditional Mexican crafts, a bilingual play and more.



Hard Hat Report

Be a Groundbreaker!

By Margaret Barnes
Tigard Public Library Director

A groundbreaker is defined as "an originator, innovator or pioneer in a particular activity." On **Saturday, May 17 at 10 a.m.**, you are invited to become a public library pioneer at the new Tigard Public Library groundbreaking.

What to expect:

G-roup dig. Help turn over some dirt to signal the beginning of construction.

R-eally cute souvenirs for kids

O-utline of new library, so that you can envision where things will be

U- as in y-o-U. It won't be nearly as fun without U!

N-ew library update and floorplans

D-irt. Bring your own shovel/trowel etc.

B-ricks for Books. Purchase a courtyard brick and preserve your name for posterity while helping buy books.

R-ain? Arrgh. We hope not. If it's wet, boots may be in order.

E-veryone's a V.I.P. Without Tigard's support, there would be no new library.

A-rtists and the winning artwork from the People's Choice Art Awards.

K-ids welcome!

I- Was There! Be there on the ground floor...literally!

N-ow or never. Be part of history and the future at the same time.

G-uided tour—the virtual kind. Let your imagination soar as tour guides usher you through the library footprint.

Who'd have thought you could have so much fun digging dirt? See you there rain or shine!

Spring story time programs end the second week in May

Preschool Stories and Crafts

Tuesday, May 6, 10 to 10:30 a.m.

Puett Room, ages 3 to 6.

Let's welcome spring with some great picnic stories, chalk drawings, snacks and a fun activity to take home. Please call in advance if you would like to bring a group.

Little People Story Time

Thursday, May 1 & 8 with Louise and Friday, May 2 & 9 with Terri, 10 to 10:30 a.m. Puett Room.

Join us with your special little one for stories and songs designed for children under 3.

New Parent Network

Parent playgroup

Tuesday, May 6, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Town Hall. Ages 9 months to 5 years.

Sheila M. Walker, M.A. from the New Parent Network, Department of Health & Human Services will demonstrate fun and educational interactive parent-child activities. Activities will include stories, songs, movement and play time.

Nutrition Basics

Wednesday, May 14, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Puett Room. Sheila will present information to help guide you and your family in eating healthy, balanced meals and healthy snacks.

Classes are free, but registration is required. Call Sheila at 503-846-2139 to register.

Get a clue...

And mark your calendars - Tigard Public Library's Mystery Night is coming Tuesday, June 3!



Bus Stop In Paradise

Friday, May 9 from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Puett Room. Bus Stop In Paradise performs lively folk music from Haiti, Bolivia, and Peru and original instrumentals. A Portland based band,



Bus Stop In Paradise features the hammer dulcimer, steel drums or "pans," and guitar.

May book sale!

Friday May 2, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, May 3, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Friends of the Tigard Library Spring Book Sale in Town Hall is a great way to recycle books! Books will be for sale at rock-bottom prices. Proceeds will be used to buy more books, videos, CDs, DVDs and other items not included in the new building bond measure.

Read-discover-explore!

It's fun, it's free! For kids through grade 5. The summer reading adventure begins Saturday, June 21.

Story Time Basics class in English or Spanish

Class taught in English

Wednesday, May 7, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Class taught en Espanol

Saturday, May 24, 10 a.m. to noon

Learn the basics of creating and presenting story times. Get tips on how to choose appropriate books; read aloud; incorporate songs and fingerplays; find crafts and felt-board stories; and to use library resources for planning. Registration required, call 503-466-1894. Classes held in the Puett Room. For adults only.



Subdivision proposals in Tigard

City staff periodically provides advance notice of potential subdivisions being contemplated in Tigard or its Urban Growth Area. Plans are only in preliminary stages and are based on pre-application conferences with the City of Tigard. Plans have not been finalized. It is possible that development will not occur immediately. If the applicant goes forward with the project, a neighborhood meeting will be scheduled by the developer/applicant prior to a formal application being made with the city. Notice of the meeting is sent to property owners within 500 feet of the proposed development. City staff can be contacted at 503-639-4171.

PROPOSAL #1

Tentative Project Name:

"Un-Named"

Subject:

2 parcels of 6.11 acres into 36 lots

Zoning:

R-7, 5,000 square foot lots

Location:

Northeast intersection of SW Bull Mountain Road & SW Roshak Road, just west of SW 153rd Avenue

Contacts:

Developer/Applicant:

Sean Foushee/Accent Residential Homes
503-819-3711

Applicant's Engineer:

Pacific Civil Design 503-793-3688

City Staff:

Brad Kilby, Current Planning (zoning, development code & land use process issues)

Brian Rager, Engineering (public facilities & traffic issues)



PROPOSAL #2

Tentative Project Name:

"Un-Named"

Subject:

5 parcels of 27.5 acres into 129 lots

Zoning:

R-7, 5,000 square foot lots

Location:

On the east side of SW 133rd Avenue, south of SW Bull Mountain Road

Contacts:

Developer/Applicant:

Wendy Hemmen/Venture Properties
503-387-7600

Applicant's Engineer:

Matt Sprague & Jerry Palmer/
Alpha Engineering Inc. 503-452-8003

City Staff:

Brad Kilby & Morgan Tracy, Current Planning (zoning, development code & land use process issues)

Brian Rager, Engineering (public facilities & traffic issues)



Do you have an irrigation system?

Although irrigation systems make watering lawns and gardens more energy, cost and time efficient, they can also be a source of contamination to the drinking water supply. Irrigation systems provide a potential connection in which contaminants such as animal waste, fertilizers, herbicides and pesticides can be siphoned (backflow) into the drinking water supply.

To protect the water supply, the City of Tigard requires all irrigation systems, to be equipped with an approved backflow prevention assembly. Test the device after installation, annually, and if the device is moved or repaired. Systems not protected by an approved backflow assembly present a potential health hazard to your household, neighbors and community.

Remember everyone uses water, whether it's for drinking, cooking, cleaning or bathing and it is everyone's responsibility to help protect and ensure the safety and quality of the drinking water we use. For more information on backflow prevention, contact Hung Nguyen at hung@ci.tigard.or.us or 503-718-2603.

Tualatin Resource Center classes

Love and Logic – six session class, Thursdays, May 1 through June 5, 6:30 to 8:15 p.m., at Twality Middle School.

Everything You've Wanted to Ask about ADHD – one time seminar, Tuesday, May 6, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at Fowler Middle School.

To sign up for classes, please call Kellee Grubb with the Tualatin Resource Center at 503-691-9008.



Honored Library Volunteers

Library Volunteers were honored in April at a reception featuring music and praise from the Mayor and City staff. "Star Volunteers" were recognized for passing a significant milestone of service:

In 2002, over 290 individuals contributed 11,700 hours of volunteer work at the Tigard Library. We appreciate each hour and thank each person for the generous gift of their time and talent.



TRA hosts Children's Resale

Tigard Recreation Association is pleased to announce its Children's Resale Event scheduled for **Saturday, May 10 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**, at the Tigard United Methodist Church, 9845 SW Walnut Pl., Tigard. Admission is \$1 or 2 cans of food. Folks wishing to purchase table space at \$25 per table should contact Jeanine Hill at 503-332-3179.

John Tigard House Museum cake plate exhibit

The John Tigard House Museum will be open Sunday, May 18. The highlight of this Open House will be Tigard resident Janice Whiting's collection of cake plates, many from the depression era. The public is encouraged to visit from 1 to 4 p.m.. It's free and donations are appreciated.

The John Tigard House is located at 103rd Avenue and Canterbury Road in Tigard. Parking is available at the Calvin Presbyterian Church parking lot across from the Tigard House. For more information please contact Dian Ross with the Tigard Area Historical & Preservation Association, 503-620-5772.

Celebrating National Drinking Water Week

National Drinking Water Week held during the first week of May, is celebrated to draw attention to the vital role water plays in our daily lives.

Water providers throughout the United States have committed themselves to providing a safe, pure and consistent supply of drinking water.

In celebration of National Drinking Water Week, the City of Tigard is encouraging everyone to learn more about water quality and conservation.

Did you know that -

- Americans use 341 billion gallons of fresh water per day.
- A person can live for a month without food, but only a week without water.
- There is the same amount of water on Earth now as when the planet was formed.

If you would like to learn more, please visit City Hall or the library during the week of May 5. View displays about the water cycle, drinking water sources and water conservation. Pick up FREE literature on indoor/outdoor water conservation tips; coloring & activity sheets; and home water auditing kits. In addition, make sure you swing by the library for a Drinking Water Week Bookmark designed by Christy Jeppsen, a 6th grade student at St. Anthony's School.

To learn more check out the City's web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us or contact Water Quality Program Coordinator Sally Mills at sally@ci.tigard.or.us or 503-718-2604.

Farmers Market opens!

The Tigard Area Farmers' Market Opening Day is **Saturday, May 10, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Check out the early season offerings at the parking lot on Hall Blvd., where Greenburg Road becomes Oleson Road. Produce selection increases weekly. The market is open Saturdays, through October.

You'll find old favorites such as cinnamon rolls, Bavarian sausages, Oregon Floral Farms, Lone Elder produce, and Ed the Iron Man, to name a few returning vendors. Come discover the fresh and friendly Tigard Market. See you there!

Why recycle yard debris?

About one quarter of the average home's waste is yard debris. Your yard debris can be recycled into compost which is a rich soil amendment that improves garden soils.

If composting is not an option for you, then your garbage hauler provides yard debris pickup at curbside. Your yard debris recycling day is scheduled for every other week on the same day that your garbage and recyclables are collected. A quick reference yard debris calendar is available from your hauler. If you currently don't have yard debris service, please contact the hauler in your area for more information. The two haulers in the City of Tigard are:



Pride Disposal 503-625-6177

Miller's Sanitary Service 503-644-6161



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Tigard City Council Action Recap!

For additional information about any of the items listed below, please contact City Recorder Cathy Wheatley at 503-639-4171, ext. 2410. Council packet information can be found on the city's web site at www.ci.tigard.or.us or at the library. Audio and video tape recordings of most meetings are also available at the library. For the cable television schedule of broadcast Council meetings, see page 2.

City Council Meeting highlights for the past month

- Conducted a joint meeting with the City of Tualatin Council and the Tigard-Tualatin School District
- Received the annual Volunteer Report
- Discussed the Strategic Financial Plan
- Considered the Atfalati Recreation District Concession Agreement and Repayment Schedule
- Heard an update on the long-term water supply
- Heard an update on the communication plan
- Discussed alternatives for the downtown redevelopment plan
- Heard an update on the new library
- Discussed legislative issues with Senator Burdick
- Discussed site location of skate park
- Held a public hearing on the street maintenance fee
- Considered a Park and Recreation Advisory Board Code amendment

Future Council Agenda Items

- Hear an update on the new library
- Consider submitting a grant for downtown revitalization
- Consider an amendment to the CIP budget
- Hear an update on Goal 5
- Receive a Municipal Court Report
- Hear an introduction to the Community Assessment Program
- Hear a presentation on the Tigard Fact Book
- Consider Fanno Creek Park Expansion Master Plan
- Conduct a public hearing regarding the street vacation of Mapleleaf and Oakway
- Hold a joint meeting with the Library Board
- Consider a home occupation Code amendment
- Hear an update on affordable housing issues